



EXHIBIT A
Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An epidural stabilization device comprising:

a face cradle subassembly including a face pad having a major plane, said face pad adapted to be adjustable between a position where its major plane is substantially vertical and a position where its major plane is substantially horizontal;

a chest support subassembly including a chest pad;

an arm support subassembly including an arm pad;

a support post having upper and lower ends, a mid-portion and inner and outer sides, said face cradle subassembly being attached to the upper end of said post, said chest support subassembly being adjustably attached to adjustment means attached to a mid-portion of said support post, said adjustment means adapted to allow said chest support subassembly to be slid back and forth relative to said mid-portion of said support post, said arm support subassembly being attached to a portion of said support post between its mid-portion and its lower end; and

a support leg extending downwardly from the lower end of said support post.

2. (canceled) The epidural stabilization device of claim 1 wherein said face pad is attached to a plate having a pair of parallel pivot rails extending substantially perpendicularly downwardly from said plate, said pivot rails having front and rear ends, said

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device further including:

a yoke attached to the upper end of said support post, said yoke having substantially parallel arms extending upwardly, each of said arms having an inner and outer side;

a pivot rod extending between said arms of said yoke, said pivot rod having first and second ends which extend beyond the outer sides of said arms of said yoke;

a pair of rear cantilever arms having inner and outer ends, said inner ends of said rear cantilever arms being pivotally attached to said pivot rod adjacent the inner sides of each of said arms of said yoke, said outer ends of said rear cantilever arms being pivotally attached to said pivot rails adjacent the rear ends thereof;

a pair of front cantilever arms having inner and outer ends, said inner ends of said front cantilever arms being pivotally attached to said pivot rod adjacent the outer sides of each of said arms of said yoke, said outer ends of said front cantilever arms being pivotally attached to said pivot rails adjacent the front ends thereof; and

means for releasably locking said front and rear cantilever arms against pivotal movement about said pivot rod.

3. (canceled) The epidural stabilization device of claim 1 wherein said chest pad of said chest support subassembly has a lower surface attached to a chest pad support plate, said chest pad support plate being attached to an adjustable chest pad support rod

at its inner end, said adjustable chest pad support rod extending substantially horizontally through an opening in said support post, said adjustable chest pad support rod being adapted to slide back and forth through said opening in said support post, and means for releasably locking said adjustable chest pad support rod against movement.

4. (currently amended) The epidural stabilization device of claim 1 wherein said arm pad of said arm support subassembly has a lower surface attached to an arm pad support plate, said arm pad support plate being attached to said support post between its mid-portion and its lower end.

5. (original) The epidural stabilization device of claim 1 wherein said support leg is adapted to be received and held by a conventional IV clamp attached to an operating or examination table.

6. (new) An epidural stabilization device comprising:

a face cradle subassembly including a face pad having a major plane, said face pad adapted to be adjustable between a position where its major plane is substantially vertical and a position where its major plane is substantially horizontal, said face pad being attached to a plate having a pair of parallel pivot rails extending substantially perpendicularly downwardly from said plate, said pivot rails having front and rear ends;

a chest support subassembly including a chest pad;

an arm support subassembly including an arm pad;

a support post having upper and lower ends, a mid-portion and inner and outer sides, said face cradle subassembly being attached to the upper end of said post, said chest support subassembly being adjustably attached to a mid-portion of said support post, said arm support subassembly being attached to a portion of said support post between its mid-portion and its lower end;

at Con't a support leg extending downwardly from the lower end of said support post;

a yoke attached to the upper end of said support post, said yoke having substantially parallel arms extending upwardly, each of said arms having an inner and outer side;

a pivot rod extending between said arms of said yoke, said pivot rod having first and second ends which extend beyond the outer sides of said arms of said yoke;

a pair of rear cantilever arms having inner and outer ends, said inner ends of said rear cantilever arms being pivotally attached to said pivot rod adjacent the inner sides of each of said arms of said yoke, said outer ends of said rear cantilever arms being pivotally attached to said pivot rails adjacent the rear ends thereof;

a pair of front cantilever arms having inner and outer ends, said inner ends of said front cantilever arms being pivotally attached to said pivot rod adjacent the outer sides of each of said

arms of said yoke, said outer ends of said front cantilever arms being pivotally attached to said pivot rails adjacent the front ends thereof; and

means for releasably locking said front and rear cantilever arms against pivotal movement about said pivot rod.

7. (new) An epidural stabilization device comprising:

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a face cradle subassembly including a face pad having a major plane, said face pad adapted to be adjustable between a position where its major plane is substantially vertical and a position where its major plane is substantially horizontal;

a chest support subassembly including a chest pad, said chest pad having a lower surface attached to a chest pad support plate, said chest pad support plate being attached to an adjustable chest pad support rod at its inner end, said adjustable chest pad support rod extending substantially horizontally through an opening in said support post, said adjustable chest pad support rod being adapted to slide back and forth through said opening in said support post, and means for releasably locking said adjustable chest pad support rod against movement;

an arm support subassembly including an arm pad;

a support post having upper and lower ends, a mid-portion and inner and outer sides, said face cradle subassembly being attached to the upper end of said post, said chest support subassembly being adjustably attached to a mid-portion of said support post, said arm support subassembly being attached to a

portion of said support post between its mid-portion and its lower
end; and

a support leg extending downwardly from the lower end of
said support post.
